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Re: Notice of Intent to Participate in Hearing in FD 35506,  
Western Coal Traffic League – Petition for Declaratory Order

Dear Ms. Brown,

The Board is hereby notified of the intent of the following to participate in the hearing scheduled for March 22, 2012 in the above-referenced proceeding:

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WHEAT GROWERS**

The proposed speaker for National Association of Wheat Growers will be Wayne O Hurst, Past President National Association of Wheat Growers, 273 South 750 East Burley Idaho 83318 (208) 670-1668, and I request 5 minutes. Attached is a Summary of Testimony.

Respectfully submitted,

**Summary of Testimony:**

NAWG intends to discuss the fact that STB regulation of BNSF rail rates on captive traffic would become less effective. As a consequence, the bargaining position of captive rail agricultural shippers via BNSF, would be adversely affected, making private sector solutions which NAWG seeks more difficult to achieve and less likely to benefit shippers facing excessive rates and rate increases.